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# **Student Resource Scheme**

### Parent Information Letter - YEAR 4 2025

Dear Parents/Guardians,

This letter contains important information about the **2025 Student Resource Scheme (SRS)** including how the scheme operates and the annual participation fee.

In accordance with the Education (General Provisions) Act 2006, the Queensland Government supports students' education by providing funding for:

- Instruction, e.g. teachers
- Facilities, e.g. buildings, amenities, furniture
- Administration, e.g. staffing and resources to administer the operations of the school.

State funding for schools does not extend to individual student resources such as textbooks, equipment for personal use and items used/consumed by the student in the classroom. Parents/carers are directly responsible for these items.

Thornlands State School operates a Student Resource Scheme that requires a parent/carer to enter into an agreement with the school for a specific annual participation fee which provides temporary use of prescribed textbooks and/or other resources, the purchase of consumables and/or materials for the student. The objective of the scheme is to provide a convenient and cost-effective way for students to access the educational resources necessary to enhance their learning experience at school. The Department encourages parents to participate in the scheme.

The scheme's resource inclusions and participation fees were approved by the school's P&C Association at in Term 4 2024.

#### **SRS Participation**

Parents are required to complete and return the SRS Participation Agreement Form when joining the scheme for the first time. If a parent decides not to participate in the scheme they are then required to provide the educational resources listed in the SRS for their child by the start of the school year or when commencing with the school. A parent can opt in or out of the scheme in subsequent years by completing another Participation Agreement Form. Should you choose not to participate in the Student Resource Scheme, you will be responsible for the provision of all text books and associated items included in the Student Resource Scheme listed below for your student.

#### Resource Inclusions

The provision of this scheme ensures that well-resourced learning by our students remains our key focus. Items provided by the scheme are as follows:

General Items	Resource	Type of Resource	Acquisition cost	Value (to parent)
General Items	Arts and Craft supplies	Used	\$9.00	\$9.00
	Stationery	Used	\$5.00	\$5.00
Software	Mathletics	Owned	\$13.00	\$13.00
	Reading Eggs	Owned	\$14.00	\$14.00
Online Program	Inquisitive	Used	\$7.50	\$7.50
	Maths Trek	Used	\$3.50	\$3.50
	Jocelyn Seamer Spelling Education	Owned	\$7.00	\$7.00
Reference material	Printing of reference material to complement textbooks	Used	\$16.00	\$16.00
<b>Grand Total</b>			\$75.00	\$75.00





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# Type of Resources provided

Generally, the three types of resources that could be included are:

- Owned these items are retained by the student and used as required (e.g. stationery, exercise books, student diary).
- Used these items are used/consumed in class by the student (e.g. industry technology/cooking/art supplies).
  - work/items produced from these resources will remain the property of the student.
- **Hired** these items are hired to the student for their personal use for a specific period of time (e.g. textbooks, musical instruments, laptops).
  - Hired items must be returned to the school in good condition at the end of the hire period or if the student leaves the school.
  - A repair or replacement cost may be charged to the parent for any hired items that are damaged or not returned.

## Financial Hardship

Parents experiencing financial hardship who are currently participating or wish to participate in the SRS should contact the school to discuss available options in confidence.

## Payment Arrangement

Several payment options including a single payment for the full year's fee or term instalments are available. An instalment plan can also be negotiated with the school. Please contact the school administration office admin@thornlandsss.eq.edu.au if you wish to make a payment arrangement.

Any unpaid invoices, will be managed according to the department's Debt Management Procedure and may result in the student being excluded from the scheme and/or from participating in non-curricular activities until payment is made.

#### **Payment Method**

SRS payments can be made by QParent/BPOINT (preferred), BPAY, EFTPOS (Credit/Debit Card), Cash.

- Payment may be made through the QParents portal using a credit card. Payment will be directed from the QParents portal to BPOINT where relevant outstanding invoice information may be selected.
- When paying by BPOINT, please use the Customer Reference Number (CRN) and invoice number printed on the invoice received from the school. If unsure of the CRN, please contact the school.

#### Contact Us

For all queries regarding the SRS and its inclusions, please contact us on (07) 3821 8111

